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1. [redacted] the southern section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring extending from Grossbeeren to Alt Glienicke (N 53/Z 83) via Diedersdorf (N 53/Z 83), Lahlow (N 53/Z 83), Wassmannsdorf (N 53/Z 83) and Schoenefeld (N 53/V 07) will be 21 km long. The embankment will be made 10 meters wide to accommodate two tracks. The plans for the southern section of the Outer Freight Ring also envisage the construction of two rail links south of Lahlow connecting with the railroad line to Dresden, in addition to rail crossings at Diedersdorf, Wassmannsdorf and Alt Glienicke.
2. During the period of 16 to 28 February 1951, it was learned from railroad authorities that the Grossbeeren-Lahlow-Schoenefeld-Gruenau railroad line is under construction. The line is scheduled to be completed by 1 August 1951 when the International Youth Games will begin. Major construction work is being done at Lahlow at the intersection with the Berlin-Zossen line and in Schoenefeld, where the Mittenwalde railroad line intersects the completed section of the Outer Freight Ring. The embankment is designed to be wide enough for two tracks, but since rails are a critical item, only one track will be laid for the time being.
3. Work on the construction of the Grossbeeren-Alt Glienicke line section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring has been greatly accelerated since mid-February 1951. The target date of 30 June 1951 for the completion of this line is to be met at all costs, allegedly because of the International Youth Rally. All traffic connected with this construction project has been given priority. The line, originally planned to be single-track, is to be provided with two tracks. It is to bypass the U.S. Sector of Berlin. [redacted] 7 to 8 km of trackage are being laid to the Schoenefeld airfield. *

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6. On 10 February 1951, the Directorate General, Railroads, ordered the headquarters of all the railroad districts bordering on Berlin to dispatch all their mobile construction shops to Berlin immediately. [redacted]

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[redacted] the mobile construction shops will be used for track construction work on the southern bypass around Berlin.

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7. On 23 February 1951, it was learned that the southern section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring is designed to be double-track. The Grossbeeren-Mahlow-Alt Glienicke line will be built first. Work on this line is already under way. In 1951, it will be possible to complete this line as far as the junction west of Alt Glienicke ultimately. It is planned to continue the line as far as the bridge across the Teltow Canal near the Adlershof railroad station. ***

* [redacted] Comment: The railroad line under construction passes the Schoenefeld airfield to the south. This airfield, which is mainly used by Soviet commercial airlines, may be scheduled to be connected with the Berlin Outer Freight Ring.

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** [redacted] Comment: Sudlicher Aussenring.

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*** [redacted] Comment: The target dates reported so far for the completion of the southern Berlin outer freight ring range from 1 May to 1 August 1951.

[redacted] the project is scheduled to be completed by 31 July 1951. The fact that the project was classified as a first priority project makes it probable that this target date will be kept. However, it is assumed that further extensive work will be required after that date in order to make the line absolutely safe for operations.

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